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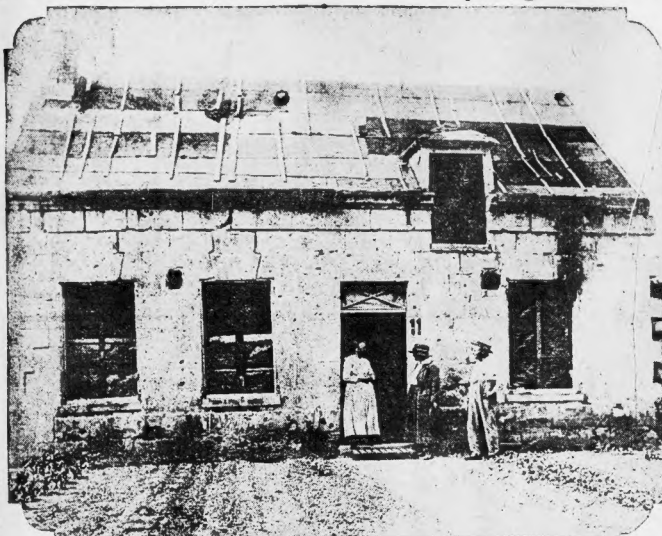
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FIRST AFTER-THE-WAR PICTURES FROM FRANCE

How Americans Are Helping Heroic French to Return to Shell-Wrecked Homes



PEACE AND HAPPINESS ONCE MORE.

An example of American enterprise in the devastated region of northern France. This house was in ruins but a short time ago. Now it has been restored and there is a flourishing garden in the front yard.



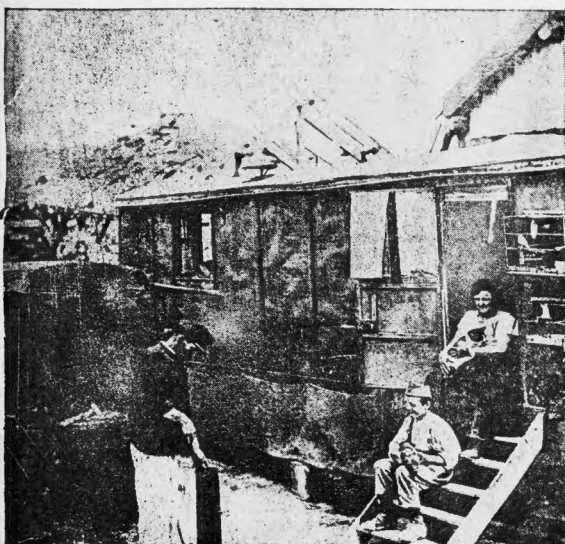
HIS FIRST PET IN FOUR YEARS.

Jean, aged four, happy, really happy, for the first time in four years with a pet given him by the American Relief Committee.



HAPPY ALTHOUGH LIVING IN THE CELLAR.

A family of French refugees back home after four years. They smile even though forced to live in the cellar while the house is being restored.

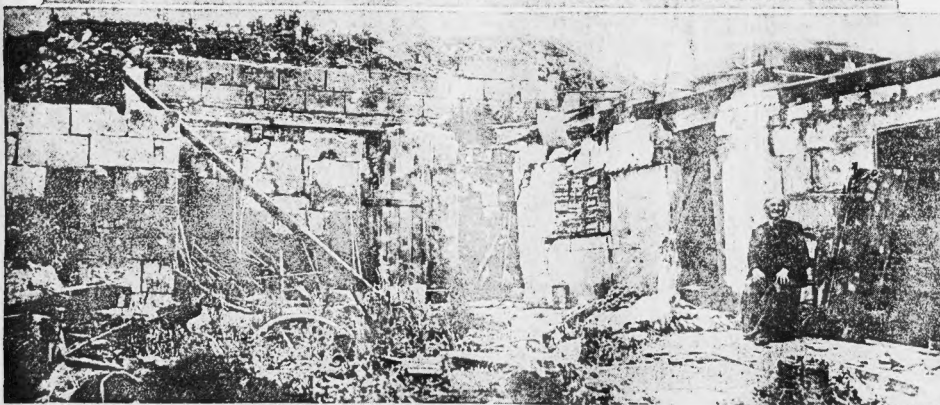


Undaunted French family making the best of things. The roof has been patched, the pets have been recovered, and even the caged birds are enjoying life outdoors.



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School lunches, provided by Americans to children who have been undernourished for four years.



Mme. Beaudon, who returned to her home on the Neuvron Plateau, having been twice driven out. She now lives in a repaired room and is surrounded by machine guns, barbed wire and unexploded munitions in the debris. The village of Neuvron is almost destroyed, and there are only about ten people living in the debris.



"There's no place like home"—even if it be roofless. This photo shows a family in the village of Meault, reunited and apparently happy. There are flowers on the table even.

BOSTON CITIZENS BACK THE AMERICAN'S DRIVE FOR 5-CENT FARE

DECLARE PUBLIC OWNERSHIP ONLY HOPE FOR PEOPLE

The campaign for a five-cent fare on the Boston Elevated started by the American's editorial yesterday is gathering volume hourly.

Scores of prominent Bostonians, merchants and legislators and hundreds of everyday riders have joined the drive. The editorial urged that Massachusetts "take over all her street railways, trolleys and trolleys, and that the people should have a say in the management of the roads and trolleys, and that the fare be reduced to five cents, paying no loss during this period of high prices out of general taxation."

Here are some of the opinions presented by prominent persons who have joined the drive.

FRANK J. W. PUGH, president of the City Council:

"I am a person who has said many, many times and that is, the elevated should be taken over immediately by the State under the provisions of the act of 1914. The elevated is a public utility, and the fare should be reduced to five cents, paying no loss during this period of high prices out of general taxation."

FRANCIS J. HUGHES, chairman of the Boston Elevated:

"The only real solution of the Boston Elevated problem is public ownership. The fare should be reduced to five cents, paying no loss during this period of high prices out of general taxation."

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REVERE HOUSE SALE TO BE HELD OUTSIDE

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from the most skillful makers of children's wear we know

Old oaken buckets and roll-top desks

THEY WERE two institutions of the past century that were all right in their place until they were worn out.

The broom of modern efficiency swept them away and substituted in their place running water and office efficient flat-top desks with pigeon holes.

Just as in the same way, the store that kept its goods pigeon-holed and dragged them out once a year to offer to a trusting public had to change its method.

The Filene store has always been a "crank" on the subject of keeping goods moving. We were pioneers in Quarterly Liquidations.

Of late years, even this has been found too slow, and a system of constant clearances have taken their place.

The Filene system today is constantly sticking pins in bargain merchandise, constantly clearing stocks, constantly bringing in new

This is good for the public in many ways from one—it all means NEWNESS, it means that we always have ready capital, and in the matter of cheap goods, we can operate on less capital (which means less interest charges), but best of all, it means—

FILENE BETTER VALUES!

Women's good taffeta dresses, chilled with Georgette, \$14

Women's Lower Priced Dress Shop, where \$14 is as high as you can go.

The dresses are sketched, tucked, veiled and sleeves are Georgette, and an excellent match for the silk, usually one way to tell a good dress.

Made in a very wearable style, both loose and small women look well in the divided tunic, Navy blue or black.

Women's half-and-half, figured Georgette and plain taffeta frocks, \$14

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Women's dark silk-like petticoats, \$1

An altogether practical petticoat. Flowers on a black background.

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Women's good percale dress-like aprons, \$1.25

A dress-like apron is really an apron, but few women wear a dress under it. It's cooler and better looking without. The back has an elastic waistline—the front a sash belt. Trimmed with pale pink or blue piping—A Filene value at \$1.25.

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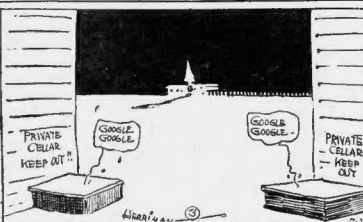
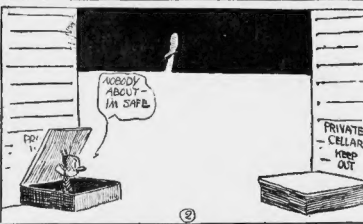
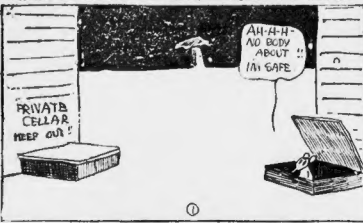
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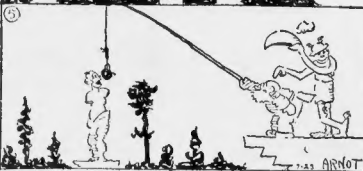
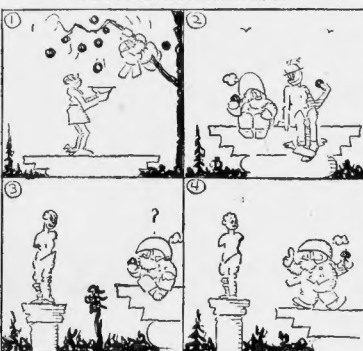
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DEAR MR. KABBIBBLE: MY HUSBAND THREATENS TO LEAVE ME. SHOULD I TELL MY BROTHER, WHO IS A COP? MRS. R. JANDON — YES IF HE'S A TRAFFIC COP—HE'LL TELL HIM WHEN TO GO.

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By George McManus

Not Knocking the New Monia Line

It's Like Carrying a Lot of Umbrellas

They Could Read These Signal Flags All Right

Occasionally Van Gets Skinny's Goat

It Turned Out All Right After All

CREDIT UNION ELECTS NEW DIRECTORS

Trains in This Section Make Poor Showing by Comparison

the increase gross earnings to any extent but they showed a relatively low increase in net earnings than in other areas elsewhere.

One operation is creating large debts for the government to meet the obligations assumed by Federal control. In addition to assuming debt payments, the Railroad Administration provided the Boston & Maine Haverhill Hartford line with a loan of \$1,964,000, meeting debt requirements, and will loan \$70,000,000 to the Boston & Maine to finance proposed consolidation.

Although local freight rates had been increased 10 per cent, and passenger rates about 25 per cent, New England roads were able in May to ask to increase their gross 2.25 per cent only compared with May, 1934. For May last their net earn-

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A. & W.	4,935,285	10.25
W. Coast	4,598,413	9.38
West	4,145,427	7.90
Central	12,775,735	19.14
South	1,698,748	11.99
W. Coast	1,906,715	9.03
Total 1901 roads		
	\$30,122,295	9.21%
NET EARNINGS		
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England	\$5,927,939	75.31
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at 1000 sq ft	\$27,500.78	\$6.9175

Boston Curb

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Am. & N.Y.	18 1/2	18 1/2
Am. & O.R.	21 1/2	21 1/2
Am. & P.R.	29 1/2	29 1/2
Am. & S. Am.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Am. & S. Mex.	17 1/2	17 1/2
Am. & S. W.	22 1/2	22 1/2

More Fore River Contracts
The latest contract awarded the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Company for building at the Fore River plant for two oil tankers of 12,000 tons each.

Cotton 'Change Seats Higher
Cotton has sold at \$23.15, an advance of 1/16¢. The price paid is now the highest on record.

Cotton Prices Open Higher
New York, July 22. — Prices in the cotton futures market on July 22, 1914, opened at the following prices: August, which advanced 1/16¢ from the previous price, was July, 35.65; August,

Stocks	Open	High	Low	Last
Rubber	110 1/2	110 3/4	110 1/2	110 3/4
Silver	110 3/4	110 3/4	110 1/2	110 3/4
Steel of	117 1/2	117 1/2	117 1/2	117 1/2
Chem	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Copper	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
cash of	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2

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What Do Good Church People Think of Japanese Now?

The Presbyterian Church authorities have received a report of the Japanese cruelties and outrages in Korea, which must make strange reading to those good church members who have so long been fed upon Japanese propaganda by such men as the Rev. Dr. Gulick, for example.

It has been but a few months since an open crusade against the Hearst papers was started by the clerical apologists for Japan; and it is interesting to note that this attempt to stir up bad feeling against the Hearst papers among church people was based upon the assertion that the Hearst papers' statements about Japan were exaggerated or untrue.

And now come the missionaries and agents of one of the most powerful and conservative Protestant church organizations in America and furnish PROOF that all the Hearst papers said about Japanese tyranny, bad faith and savage cruelty was absolute and literal TRUTH.

In other words, thousands of well-meaning Protestant church members were led by such men as Dr. Gulick and the paid Japanese propagandist, Dr. Iyemaga, to believe that the Hearst papers were deliberately lying about the good, kind, gentle Japanese, when at that very time the missionaries and teachers sent to Korea by these same Protestant church members were suffering imprisonment, torture and even death to smuggle through Japanese censorship the same reports of Japanese atrocities which the Hearst papers had made public.

We think those good church members who were thus led to think and to say harsh, unjust and hostile things about the Hearst papers now realize how deceived they were and how unfair they mistakenly were toward us at the very time we were actually defending their own missionaries and school teachers by calling the attention of the world to the awful atrocities the Japanese were committing upon the Christian communities in Korea.

To tell the truth, you good people owe us an apology. We do not ask it, however, because we are accustomed to being attacked for no other reason than that our sources of information are more extensive and more accurate than those of most people and that we have the courage to tell the truth before most people are ready to hear it.

The truth is, as we have said, that the Japanese autocracy seized Korea exactly as a wolf seizes a lamb—to rend and devour it. Korea had done nothing against Japan. There was no pretext for war. The Japanese simply invaded Korea with an army. They compelled the feeble Korean government to agree to employ only Japanese financial and diplomatic "advisers."

At the same time they signed a treaty by which JAPAN DEFINITELY GUARANTEES THE INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE KOREAN EMPIRE. This was in August, 1904.

Eight months later, in April, 1905, they forced Korea to hand over the communications system of the country. Seven months later, in November, 1905, they compelled Korea to transfer control of the foreign relations to them.

Twenty months later they forced the Korean government to put the control of internal affairs in their hands. And three years after that the Japanese threw off the mask behind which they had worked and formally annexed provinces and helped Korea.

And then began a reign of robbery, oppression and ruthless violation of the property, persons and liberties of the inoffensive Korean people, which, according to the official reports to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, makes the worst offense charged against Germany in the late war look mild and tender-hearted by comparison.

And because stout-hearted AMERICAN missionaries, teachers and doctors tried to make the sufferings of the helpless KOREANS, TIANJIN, as much and more than they hate the poor Korean people, whom they beat, rob, outrage and torture at their own brutal and savage caprice.

Now, you church members are going to have these things told to you and proved to you BY YOUR OWN MISSIONARIES AND TEACHERS from this on—and, of course, you are going to believe them.

And we trust that you will be fair enough to remember then that the Hearst papers told you these same things; that for telling you these same things the Hearst papers were held up to you by the Gulicks and Iyemagas and other Japanese propagandists as base slanders of innocent Japan; and that you were so completely gulled by these Japanese apologists that some of you actually spent time and money in furthering church members' attacks upon the Hearst papers!

You were attacking the Hearst papers no more unjustly than others had done, but nevertheless you were attacking them at the very moment that they were stoutly defending your own missionaries, your own school teachers, your own doctors, laboring to uplift and help to higher thoughts and better things the peaceful people of Korea—the most pitiable victims of ruthless autocracy and savage militarism that now appeal to the justice of the world and the collective compassion of mankind!

The Hearst papers ask no statement for themselves. They are quite competent to take care of themselves under all circumstances. But the very best statement you can make your own missionaries is to turn to them and put your influence and the powerful influence of your churches behind the public men who have sense enough to see this cruel and treacherous Japanese autocracy and militarism in their true colors, and who have the courage and the patriotism to protest against any alliance of this republic with that autocracy and militarism—either to keep helpless Korea under their cruel heels or to prostrate the millions of decent, inoffensive Chinese in the province of Shantung beneath the same ruthless, treacherous, treaty-breaking, robbing and murdering despots.

This great ultranationalism of ours, unadvisedly won to war in behalf of the rights of the weak and the liberties of the oppressed, and we should not now blacken the face of America and destroy the hopes of the world by entering into treaty stipulations and alliances with a despotism and a militarism which regard no rights of the weak, spare no horrors of tyranny, and with each accession of stolen territory and taxable populations enlarge the military and naval armaments which they mean to launch against our own dear country whenever they believe themselves strong enough to make the attack.

It does seem incredible that any American should be willing to put into the hands of an already dangerous and hostile autocracy fresh weapons with which to make all the harder and all the more desperate the inevitable conflict between the democracy of America and the autocracy of Japan, which all the mankind sentimentality in the world cannot eventually prevent, and which stupid trustfulness in Japanese faith and more stupid unpreparedness of military and naval defenses only invite and hasten.

There's More Than One Germany

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Ye Towne Gossip

By K. C. B.

HE'S A business man.
AND HIS name's Deacatur.
AND HE owns a store.
AND A big house.
AND A country house.
AND HE has an island.
ON A little lake.
AND HE has a wife.
AND A trio of daughters.
AND IN the Summer.
HE GOES to his store.
JUST ONCE in a while.
AND THE rest of the time.
HE PUTTERS around.
AND WORKS in a garden.
AT HIS country place.
AND GOES to his island.
AND GETS a boat.
AND CATCHES fish.
AND SO far as I know.
HE'S PERFECTLY sane.
AND YET.
JUST A day ago
I WAS wandering around.
ON THE shore of the lake.
AND HE seemed to me
FROM HIS little island
AND CAME, sliding over.
AND ROWED me across.
AND ON the island.
HE HAS a house.
AND HE told me in
AND SHOWED me around.
AND AT last he stopped.
IN FRONT of a place.
WHERE THERE was a hall.
ABOUT two feet across.
AND HE pointed to it.
WITH PRIDE in his eyes.
AND A smile on his face.
AND I looked at the hall.
AND ALL I could see.

WAS A great big globe.
OF BITS of string.
THE SAME kind of string.
THAT THE grocer sends.
WHEN HE ties up the beans.
AND AS I gazed.
HE TOLD me the tale.
OF THE wonderful ball.
AND OF how it was started.
TWO DECADES ago.
AND A bit at a time.
HE HAD built it.
TILL IT came to be.
SO FAR as he knew.
THE LARGEST ball.
OF BITS of string.
IN THE whole wide world.
AND THE weight of it.
WAS EIGHTY pounds.
AND ALL unrolled.
IT WAS forty miles.
AND I tried to be glad.
THAT HE'D gathered so much.
AND I'VE thought of it since.
AND I'VE found a moral.
TO GO with the tale.
AND THE moral is
IF IT'S the biggest in the world.
NO MATTER what it is.
YOU'RE NOT crazy.
IF YOU'RE crazy about it.

The Frog Pond

By Morton Birge

CHEER UP, BILL!

The news from Amerongen is depressing.
The Kaiser's pretty nearly bored to death.
This living like a rabbit for the Hottentotten habit.
He hardly has the "pep" to draw his breath.

But let his Nibs possess himself in patience.
It may be only yet a little while.
Ere a messenger comes knocking with the information shocking
That the allies are all ready for his trial.

Then you bet he won't complain he's bored and weary.
He'll be shaking o'er his long career of sin.
He will flutter in a flurry of angst and awful worry
What the League of Nations jury will bring in.

LAWYERS, ATTENTION—BARRERS, TOO!
Hungarian lawyer utters ten words of chatter in a Budapest barber shop and goes to jail for ten years.

MOTHER MAY BE A FILM FAN
Forty-year-old Carol of the Aberdeen section of Brighton began shrieking her fat shoulders at the table. "What are you doing?" asked father. "Vamping," replied Carol.

CHANGE OF DIET
Headline reads: "Marbora Horse Lunches on Forefinger of Driver."

WIFE WINS
Milford man's rambling causes the court to increase his weekly payments to his wife from \$10 to \$15. In sporting terms, the ante was "raised" on him.

CUPID'S HANDICAP
"Can't get away to marry you today. The 'L' won't let me." That's the way the song was sung by July couples during the Edwardian strike, judging by the falling off in applications for marriage licenses while Boston transportation was tied up. Apparently the candidates for the road to matrimony hesitated about waiting at the very start.

HOLD TIGHT, VETS
Bonus, Little Bonus, now just what you're about.
For the Loan Shark (will tell you if you don't watch out).

HOW COME?
Report of a Revere cutting away says that the victim, "who is deaf and dumb, was stabbed during an argument."

LET THEM BE
The annual field day of the Eastern Massachusetts Society of Bee Keepers is announced for next Saturday, July 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. O'Sullivan on Boylston street, Newton Upper Falls. Willard issued three requests, none out alive. But official report of a bout between Potomac Bug and Kid Polidus reads thus:
"ROUND ONE—Polidus jumped into a clinch. Jabbed his head into Potomac Bug's neck and drained blood until Potomac Bug was coughed out forever!"

FOR THE POTATO BELT
The potato bug has not his match. Maine dispatches relate the reappearance of a bug, now last Summer, named Polidus Modestus. Potodius does worse things to the potato bug than Dempsey to the Edwardian. Charged with this duty in Washington, found himself unable to destroy the potato bug. So quietly he took home. Next all the potato bugs were taken to the potato bug's aid.

The Maine Agricultural Department has taken on the job of manager for Polidus. All challenges accepted.

THE FAMILY BUSYBODY A COMMON NUISANCE

By Mrs. Wilson Woodrow

THE harmony of the home, or of a business organization, or of any enterprise where people are associated together, depends largely upon the ability of each one concerned in it to mind his business.

If we wish to live happy and successful lives—and who does not?—we have to learn to attend strictly to our own business. To gain real freedom of thought and action, we must be as ready to grant it as to take it.

A woman I had never seen before dropped into a chair beside me on a Summer porch and began a conversation. She was full of her own affairs, and after a few preliminaries she began to talk about them.

"Oh, what a luxury it is, she said, 'to be able to do as you please in a house, to arrange your time and your affairs as seems best to you and without interference. I have taken a month's vacation in a house, and I am going to do what I please in the way I please and when I please. I never can do that at home, and I can't away for a while."

"You see," she went on to explain, "my sister-in-law makes her home with us. She is really the kindest soul in the world, and I am very fond of her; but she spends her time in arranging other people's affairs. She is always trying to live other people's lives for them."

"She will begin the day by thinking how good it would be for my brother-in-law to have a drive in the middle of the morning, or how nice it would be to take the little child across the street on an excursion, and then she turns her attention to me and declares that I need a new interest in life."

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DARK CLOUDS AMONG THE STARS A MYSTERY

By Garrett P. Serviss

ONE of the most surprising of recent astronomical advances is the accumulation of evidence that there are many dark, or black, cloudy-looking masses scattered in some places among the stars, which they partially hide like vast smoke-wicks. This evidence is especially due to E. S. Barnard, whose exquisite celestial photographs and whose careful and thoughtful interpretation of the meaning of the strange appearances presented by them afford new conceptions of the universe.

The thought has long been familiar to astronomers that the luminous clouds called nebulae represent an early, and perhaps the earliest, stage in the development of stars; in other words, that the stars are evolved out of nebulae somewhat as drops of rain are formed by the condensation of water vapor.

This comparison is intended to go no further than to suggest a vivid conception of the way in which the nebulae contract around nuclei, and by contracting increase in density until their substance is nearly as concentrated as the relatively small spherical bodies, whose temperature rises to the point of incandescence, where upon they become stellar bodies.

A Puzzling Question
But how the nebulae while yet in an expanded state are able to show, giving off light resembling that of incandescence, and how they become a puzzling question. This question does not become any easier of solution now that, in addition to the luminous nebulae, others have been found which are not luminous, and whose existence might never have been suspected if they had not been discovered or relatively bright areas behind them. Even a faintly luminous background suffices to betray their presence.

In some places these obscure objects appear like dark patches upon, or even like holes in, the starry curtain of the Milky Way. In some cases, as in the neighborhood of the nebulae star Rho Ophiuchi, the dark, streaming curtains are slightly translucent, so that the rays of some of the multitude of stars behind them pierce through.

Thus, too, they sometimes appear to be mingled with, or at least in the adjacent to, luminous nebulae, so that the conclusion seems inevitable that there is an evolutionary relation between the two kinds—the dark nebulae, most probably, in an earlier stage than the shining ones. It would seem that the dark nebulae energy which eventually causes the dark masses to become luminous—if they do—must be in themselves.

Amazing Photographs
The most recent of Barnard's photographs are truly amazing in the definiteness, darkness, and oddity of the forms which they reveal. Many of them are relatively small in area, and these are as sharply outlined, and as unconventional in shape as, say, the Capitan Sea, whose queer look on the map was one of the influences that fired Humboldt with a desire to explore the world. A forecast of this was made in the year 1800, but not rightly interpreted, by Keeler's photograph of the great conglomeration of stars and luminous clouds called "X-3" in the constellation Sagittarius, where many curious black spots may be seen that look somewhat as if drops of ink had accidentally been spilled upon the photograph.

The luminous gaseous nebulae exhibit spectra in an elementarily distinguished only three definite lines, one of which has been identified with the lightest of all the known chemical elements, hydrogen, while the others appear to be long to some rare element or elements unknown to us.

The existence of an element called nebulae, from its occurrence only in nebulae, has been conjectured, and the guess has been made that it may be the "primordial stuff" of which philosophers have dreamed for ages, from which all other material things of stars and planets are developed. But the dark nebulae show no spectra, because they cannot, since they give no light.

HE CARRIED THE GREENBACKS HOME

How would you like the work of destroying money? When a bill is old and gray it is made into "minted" currency. Various "turning" charges with this duty in Washington, found himself unable to destroy the greenbacks. So quietly he took home. Next all the potato bugs were taken to the potato bug's aid.